

Northern Virginia Regional Partnership Steering Committee Meeting May 15, 2003

Attendees

George Barker, Ray Bridge, Lynn DeLacy, R.M. Del Rio, M.D., Tom Geib, Mike Gilmore, Wendy Gradison, Betsy Greer, Waja Grimm, Sharon Jones, Leslie Katz, Henriette Kellum, Cindy Kemp, Bob Lassiter, Lisa Madron (for Roger Biriban), Lou Rosato, Jim Thur, and Leslie Weisman.

The Notes of April 10, 2003 were accepted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Lynn DeLacy introduced Dr. Robespierre Maximillian Del Rio, the recently appointed Medical Director at the Northern Virginia Mental Health Institute, and indicated that he will be visiting each CSB in the future.
- Jim Thur announced that John Morrow is attending Commissioner Reinhard's stakeholders forum in Richmond, and therefore, unable to attend today's meeting.
- Feedback on the Regional Partnership web site was requested.

UPDATES FROM WORK GROUPS

Mental Health:

- Leslie Weisman reviewed the minutes from the last Work Group session noting areas of focus included continuity of care, private sector challenges, outstanding need to address forensic issues, as well as short and long term strategies for restructuring. She also observed that Joan Durman is continuing to collect data, and that the next meeting is scheduled for May 20.

Structural:

- The last meeting of the Structural Work Group was cancelled, however, Executive Directors continue to work on assignments and will provide a full report at the next Steering Committee meeting.

Private Psychiatric Hospitals:

- Four hospitals have implemented the Levels of Care Matrix and will provide data at the next Work Group session.
- In addition, medical director representatives of NVMHI and the Fairfax-Falls Church CSB will be present at the next meeting to address the concern of training needs for State authorized representatives.
- John Morrow has forwarded a survey to the hospitals to determine bed capacity and how it is utilized.
- George Barker indicated his willingness to work and encourage participation of those hospitals currently not active in private bed purchase.
- Henriette Kellum requested when discussing private bed purchase with the hospitals, the geriatric concern be addressed as well.
- It was also noted that Loudoun Healthcare will be represented at future meetings of the Work Group.

DRAFT VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTIVES

Several revisions discussed within the draft Vision and Guiding Principles will be incorporated and distributed to the Committee for further review.

DRAFT REPORT FORMAT

- Within Section IV and V, it was noted work has just begun. As part of State compliance, information has been gathered and can be included as an attachment to the Report. Noting that Fairfax-Falls Church CSB can convert unmet data to dollars, it was suggested to check with John Morrow as to whether it would be possible to use the same formula to convert the data of other CSB's.
- Questions to be Referred to Work Groups. In reviewing the questions provided, the following was determined:
 - 1) *System changes needed to be consistent with proposed Vision and Principles* --Need to crosswalk.
 - 2) *Adult psychiatric beds needed 2005-2010* – this item should be referred to Mental Health as well as MR/MI Work Groups.
 - 3) *Medicaid Revenue Maximized* – Refer to Mental Health Work Group.
 - 4) *CSB's, State facilities and private hospitals actions to operate more efficiently and effectively* – this is currently being covered with the Private Psychiatric Hospital Work Group.
 - 5) *Learned from community forums and consumer groups* – these issues should be referred to Mental Health Work Group and possibly others as well.
 - 6) *Residential services needed* – refer to Mental Health Work Group.
 - 7) *Changes in policy, regulations and code* – list to be compiled of quick hits.
 - 9) *If additional funding not available* – address in Phase II if money not flowing.
 - 10) *Promote Recovery Model* –understanding noted that Mary Ann Beall will draft this section to be inserted within Report.
 - 11) *Structural and organizational changes* – Structural Work Group to address.
- It was also noted that Henriette Kellum will provide a half-page summary of the Geriatric issue to be inserted within the report.
- Recommended to include within the Report the issues and work plan for Phase II of the project and ensure those issues are prioritized.
- At June Steering Committee meeting, the draft Report will be reviewed.
- For those interested in more detailed information on data being compiled, it was suggested to attend Mental Health Work Group session which will thoroughly review data.

NEXT MEETING

Due to a conflict of a Joint Commission visit at NVMHI, the next Steering Committee meeting was moved from June 19 to Thursday, June 26, 8:30 a.m. in Room 4-5 of the Fairfax County Government Center.

Meeting notes approved at the June 26, 2003 Steering Committee meeting.